

FROM FARM TO YOU & YOUR FAMILY!

Farms we will be visiting are those that produce the local food you eat from the grocery store and the farmers market.

If you have ever considered how your food is produced, the obstacles Alaska farmers face, or the effort that your local producers put into providing you with a healthy and local food choice, then this is your opportunity to visit these quality family operated farms. They are happy to share their livelihood with you, and show you where the food you eat comes from.

Did you know that Matanuska Creamery milk is 100% Alaska Grown? Did you know they were making ice cream and cheese curds? We will be visiting the creamery, where you can watch them carton the milk, taste their cheese curds, and have a sweet taste of their ice cream. Find out what you are missing!

If you feel you have been out of touch with the food production system, now is the time to choose to acquaint yourself with it again. If you would like your children to learn more about food production, this is an excellent opportunity for an educational summer day.

We look forward to seeing you on July 24th!



Mat-Su Farm Bureau

<http://akfb.fb.org/>

**Tour includes an
All Alaskan catered
lunch, t-shirt and
Alaska Grown
goodies!**

Meet Your Alaskan Farmers

**Presented by: Mat-Su
Farm Bureau**



**MAT-SU FARM TOURS
2009**

JULY 24TH, 8 AM- 5PM



1. Have you ever wanted to see where the local food you buy at the grocery store comes from?
2. Have you wanted to see on a personal level the where and how your farmers' market produce is grown?
3. Have you ever wanted to observe the farming lifestyle that you support when you choose to buy local?
4. Do you want to learn more about the farming techniques that are used to produce the food you eat?
5. Do you want to feel a closer connection to farming and show your children how their food is produced?
6. Do you want to learn what is unique about Alaskan farming techniques, and special obstacles they face?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this farming tour is for you. It will bring you into the Alaska farming experience on a personal level.

Cost of the tour includes an All Alaskan catered lunch, Mat-Su Farm Bureau T-shirt and Alaska Grown goodies!

TOUR DAY

The day will begin at the Carr's on Muldoon in Anchorage, where we will gather at 8:00 for registration. The bus will promptly leave at 8:30 am.

The tour will include visiting:

1. One of the largest produce farmers in Alaska
2. The Matanuska Valley Creamery
3. Drive by the Palmer Friday Fling
4. A Colonist-era small family farm
5. An all Alaska GROWN catered lunch in a beautiful garden setting
6. One of the largest USDA organic producers in Alaska
7. Driving Bodenbug Loop by the U-Pick farm and the Plant Materials Center

We will return to Anchorage at approximately 5:00pm.



To register and receive more details, you *must* contact Patricia at the Division of Agriculture:

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Mail Checks and registration info to:
Division of Agriculture
Attn: Patricia O'Neil
1800 Glenn Hwy Ste 12
Palmer, AK 99645

Name: _____

Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Cost: Adult - \$45.00

Child (12 & Under) - \$35

Payment accepted: Check Only

Make Checks out to the Mat-Su Farm Bureau

Adults: _____ **Children** _____

Please indicate # of shirts and what sizes.

T-Shirt Size:

S__ **M**__ **L**__ **XL**__ **XXL**__

PLEASE NOTE:

There is limited space available. The first 40 people that call will be registered and will be confirmed when payment is received.